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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR BIO APPRAISAL OF UNDP DEPUTY RES REP
ESROME KURUNERI

1. BRAND NEW UNDP DEPUTY RESREP ESROME KURUNERI, A
"ZIMBABWEAN NATIONAL," HAS BEEN EXTREMELY FRIENDLY
TOWARD EMBASSY AND CHARGE SINCE HIS ARRIVAL. HE APPARENTLY
STUDIED IN STATES AND HAS WORKED FOR UN IN NEW YORK FOR
A NUMBER OF YEARS. HIS UNDERSTANDING OF US DOMESTIC
SCENE SEEMS QUITE GOOD. KURUNERI SAYS HE KNOWS
AMBASSADOR YOUNG AND OTHER USUN OFFICIALS AND THAT HE
TRAVELED RECENTLY WITH OFFICIAL US PARTY TO SALISBURY.
HE ALSO REFERRED TO AMBASSADOR SCHAUFLE AS "BILL".
MOFA AMERICAS DIVISION DIRECTOR BERHANE DERESSE RECOG-
NIZED KURUNERI BY FACE IMMEDIATELY WHEN CHARGE INTRO-
DUCED THEM AT RWANDAN RECEPTION AND SEEMED GENUINELY
PLEASED TO SEE HIM.

2. KURUNERI IS CONVINCED SITUATION IN ETHIOPIA IS GOING
TO IMPROVE SUDDENLY FROM US POINT OF VIEW AND HOPES USG
CAN MOVE FAST TO EXPLOIT CHANGE. FUTURE OF ENTIRE US
RELATIONS WITH AFRICA WILL BE AT STAKE, HE SAYS.

"ETHIOPIA IS WHERE IT'S AT." FOR THIS REASON, HE IS

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LOOKING FORWARD TO GOOD CHAT VERY SOON WITH CHARGE AND
HOPES TO MEET AMBASSADOR CHAPIN AFTER ARRIVAL.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE BY PRIORITY REPLY ANYTHING ADDRESSEES
CAN OFFER TO HELP IN APPRAISAL OF KURUNERI.
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